COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

MOTION TO ADJUST RATES IN

ACCORDANCE WITH PURCHASED

GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF

AUXIER ROAD GAS COMPANY, INC.

CASE NO. 7897-L &

CASE NO. 7897-M

ORDER

On April 23, 1981, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 7897 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased.

On October 13, 1982, Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc., ("Auxier") filed Case No. 7897-L, notifying the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by its supplier Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") effective October 1, 1982. Because Auxier failed to provide the 20-day notice as required by statute the increased rates could not be placed into effect until November 2, 1982.

On November 16, 1982, Auxier filed Case No. 7897-M, notifying the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be decreased by Columbia. The decreased rates will become effective on and after November 2, 1982, the date the proposed increase in Case No.

7897-L would become effective. Accordingly, the Commission will consider Case No. 7897-L together with Case No. 7897-M and reduce the requested increase in 7897-L by the amount of the reduction in 7897-M.

After reviewing the notice filed in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) Auxier's notice of November 16, 1982, set out certain revisions in rates which Auxier proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale increase in cost from its supplier in the amount of \$2,949 or 3.3 cents per Mcf.
- (2) Auxier's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment clause approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 7897 dated April 23, 1981, is fair, just and reasonable, in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after November 2, 1982.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that said purchased gas adjustment sought by Auxier and adjusted as aforesaid be and it hereby is authorized effective with gas supplied on and after November 2, 1982.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for the purpose of the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Auxier the base rate for purchased gas shall be:

Commodity

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.

\$5.553 per Mcf

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days after the date the increased cost of wholesale gas becomes effective, Auxier shall file with this Commission its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of December, 1982.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Katherine Landall
Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 7897-L AND 7897-M DATED December 2, 1982.

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Auxier Road Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First 1,000 cu. ft.

\$8.201 Minimum Bill

All Over 1,000 cu. ft.

7.401 per 1,000 cu. ft.